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Verses to Mr. Pope, *occasion'd by his late Epistle of* Taste *to the Earl of* Burlington.

HARD tho' it seem, in such a tasteless Age,
That Muse with Muse a civil War should wage;
That Wit should e'er become a *Party-Claim*,
And *Factions* struggle in the Lists of Fame:
While Science weeps in Anguish o'er the Fray,
And Dulness feeds upon the common Prey.
Hard tho' it seem yet is it nobler far
To fight for Justice, than decline the War.
Truth is the Soul of Verse, the heav'nly Fire
That *should* the Poet, and his Muse inspire:
Unless *Prometheus* like, we upward rise,
And snatch the living Ardour from the Skies,
In native Clay the breathless Form shall stand,
And freeze a Statue in the Workman's Hand;
In vain shall Beauty waken all its Art,
And toil at mimick Life thro' ev'ry Part;
It seems to live, it cheats the careless Eye.
A gay Delusion! and a beauteous Lye!
If Verse should be profan'd to bad Designs,
And magic Mischief curse th' enchanted Lines,
Should *Pope's* own Musick tune the potent Song,
And Airs divine dissolve upon his Tongue;
Not *Pope's* own Musick tun'd to Airs divine,
Tho' ev'ry Muse, and ev'ry Grace should join
Their needless Aid, could e'er atone the Ill:
The Charm is mortal, and was made to kill.
Shall then the Muses Sons in Silence sit,
While Spleen and Pride usurp the Name of Wit?
Shall the Art bear th' unworthy Artist's Shame,
Or impious Satire blast each noble Name?
Could no one Champion rise t' avenge the Wrong,
And scourge the Poet in his guilty Song?
——Tho' *Satan* from the Height of Honour fell,
Abdiel supply'd his Place almost as well;
His Virtue made him glorious, tho' not great,
And honest Zeal excel'd the Pride of State.
Like him, ye injur'd Names, I take the Field,
But claim the Shade of your protecting Shield;
Like *Teucer*, shaded from the watchful Foe,
I'll chuse my Mark, and meditate my Blow;
Tho' once a random Dart an *Archer* try'd,
Fate wing'd its Way, and haughty *Ahab* dy'd.
Long Time, O *Pope*, has thy superior Name
Been read the foremost in the Rolls of Fame;
Charm'd with the Sweetness of thy tuneful Strain
The World admir'd, and Envy pin'd in vain;
Like thy own *Querno* thou hadst fix'd thy Throne;
'Twas Treason ev'n to question thy Renown:
The maiden Poet, with submissive Tongue,
Implor'd thy Infl'ence to inspire his Song;
And hostile Bards, who dar'd dispute thy Sway,
Like Fiends, were made to tremble and obey.
Fame says thy Dreams like *Joseph's* are divine,
And that his Brethren were but Types of thine;
One Half at least of the Presage is true,
They mourn the Sin, and feel the Penance too:
But ah! they know not *Joseph's* kind Reprieve,
Thy Wrongs redress'd, thou never canst forgive.
Th' *Egyptian* Famine starves the Poet's Year
From Age to Age——no Land of *Goshen's* near;
Or, if there is, 'tis only thou art there.
Lodg'd in the Bow'r of Bliss thy Lyre had rear'd;
For Stones and Trees thy potent Musick heard;
Heard, and, obedient to the magic Call,
Form'd a new Wonder like the *Theban Wall*:
A *Poet's Villa* is so strange a Tale,
The *Theban Wall* may claim Belief as well:
Old *Thames* surveys it tow'ring o'er his Tide,
And holds a Mirror to the Poet's Pride.
Lodg'd in this Bow'r of Bliss, in Wealth, and Ease,
Not forc'd to flatter, and yet sure to please;
A Guest familiar at the Great Man's Board,
And free as a led Captain with my Lord;
The Ladies Fav'rite! whose melodious Tongues
Repeated frequent thy delightful Songs:
Fortune's blest Laureat whose illustrious Bays
Bore golden Fruit, despising barren Praise.
Happy to thy own Wish in ev'ry Strain,
From *Windsor-Forest*, down to *Tibbald's* Reign;
The *Dunciad* seem'd the Ruin of thy Foes,
And thy own Wit the Shield of thy Repose.
——Thus blest, thus fortunate, victorious Bard!
From Want defended, and for Age prepar'd,
Say how imprudent couldst thou quit thy Ease,
To launch again on Fame's tempestuous Seas,
Beyond thy Depth to stretch thy narrow Sail,
And court the Fury of too strong a Gale?
Safely along some Rivers winding Shore
Thou might'st have steer'd thy Bark, and ply'd thy Oar,
Spread all thy Pennons, lavish'd all thy Pride,
And warbled like a *Syren* down the Tide:
But when old Ocean wide his Waters spread,
And the rude Tempest bellow'd o'er thy Head,
Thou should'st have trembled at the hideous Scene,
And plough'd thy Summer-Skiff to Land again.
In thee, O *Pope*, we judg'd a Master-Mind
That measur'd Science, and that Art defin'd;
That the whole Maze of Truth had safely try'd
And long Experience form'd a certain Guide.
As round the *Sybil's* Cave the *Trojan* stood,
Impatient waiting for th' impulsive God,
So have we bow'd before *Apollo's* Shrine,
And thought his Voice was to be heard in thine;
But ah! thy Voice th' inquiring Crowd deceives,
And where we look'd for Sense, we find but Leaves.

A Letter from a Merchant in Jamaica *to his Friend at* London, *giving an Account of the present State and Condition of that Island.*

SIR,

IN the last Session of our Assembly, the declining Condition of this Island was taken into Consideration, with Regard to the low Value of its Produce, which daily declining, greatly discourages the present Settlers, and those that have Estates, and hath for some Years past intirely put a Stop to the further Improvement or Settlement of this large, fertile, and valuable Island; so that for seven Years last past, instead of increasing in the Number of our Inhabitants, we have decreas'd at least one Third, which renders the great Charges we are at for the necessary Support of the Government the more difficult, and almost insupportable to the few remaining Inhabitants. To speak the Truth of our Condition, if some speedy Remedy is not found out, and some new Encouragement given, I expect to see in a few Years this Island left only in the Hands of a few Proprietors of Sugar-Works, who do not amount to above three hundred, and those we compute one with another employ each five white Men, which is but fifteen hundred; all our other Inhabitants, and those that have other small Settlements, are going off daily. The Proprietors of Sugar-Works (many of whom are in *Great Britain*) must stand by and keep their Interest in it till the last, as their Estates consist of great Buildings, Plantations, Utensils, large Tracts of Land well cultivated, great Quantities of Cattle, which if they remove their Slaves from, to go to other Countries, will be of no Value, but a dead Loss, and so two Thirds of their Estates sunk; this Reason will oblige the Sugar-Planters to stand it the longest; and God knows that is a short Space enough, considering the dismal Prospect they have of the declining Condition of their Estates, the Increase of our Rebel Negroes, and the Loss of our Trade. We find all the European Markets, except *Great Britain*, supply'd by the *French* and *Dutch* Sugar Colonies, and even a great Part of the *British* Empire likewise, as *Ireland*, which hath for several Years been supply'd with *French* Sugar; and the *British* Northern Colonies, which now swarm with People (and are a daily Drain to the Sugar Colonies) supply themselves with Sugar and Molasses from the *French* and *Dutch*; so that all the Consumption of the *British* Colonies (by the Restriction laid on their Trade) is reduced to *Great Britain* only; and consequently what Sugars are made more than is required for that Purpose, can be of little other Use than to lower the Price and Value of even that.

These unhappy Circumstances have struck such a Damp on the Inhabitants of this Island, that nothing is heard but Preparations for the Northern Colonies; and *Carolina* begins to encourage great Numbers to adventure there, forasmuch as by the great Goodness of his Majesty, and the Wisdom of the Parliament, the Enumeration of Rice is taken off, and they have Liberty to send it to Foreign Markets directly, which will bring such a Flow of Riches to that Colony, as will help, I fear, to be very much the Downfal of the *British West India* Sugar Colonies, except some such Encouragement be given to them: And it's to be hoped his Majesty's great Goodness will induce him to recommend the Consideration hereof to the Wisdom of his Parliament; and that they will have such a Regard to the Welfare of *Britain*, as to support its principal Members, the Sugar Colonies, which employ such vast Numbers of their Fellow Subjects in their Mother Country, and are a great Support to the Figure it now makes in Trade, by the Employment of Ships and Men, this Island alone employing yearly at least three hundred Sail of Vessels and five thousand Mariners; and considering the advantageous Situation of it in Time of Peace for Trade to *New Spain*, and in case of a War, all our *West India* Colonies must be lost without this Island, they having no Harbour or Ports that his Majesty could keep a Squadron in, to command these Seas and protect them; and in case of bad Weather, which always happens amongst them once a Year, these Vessels that would be distress'd, must put into an Enemy's Port or perish in the Sea, as we have no other *British* Settlement to Leeward off St. *Christopher's* but this Island. These Particulars, and many others too tedious to enumerate, being duly consider'd, I am sure there is a Necessity of doing something immediately to encourage the present Inhabitants to remain in the Country, and others to come; or I fear, in case of War, it will be so weak as to fall an easy Prey to our potent Neighbours the *French* at *Hispaniola*, who, by the great Encouragement from their Mother Country, are within a few Years grown so numerous in their Settlements and Inhabitants, as gives a dismal Prospect to us of this Island.

One Thing I am surprized never was consider'd among the Means thought of for preventing the Use as well as running *French* Brandy, which is the lessening the Excise on Rum, the Produce of our own Sugar Colonies, which, were it used instead of *French* Brandy, would save the Nation as much ready Cash as goes out of it for the Purchase thereof. Rum is the principal Commodity of this Island next to Sugar, and on which the Planters very much depend; it generally sells here from 18d. to 2s. *per* Gallon, so that 100 Punches of 110 Gallons each here, is about 1000l. this Island Currency, or 700l. Sterling Value; that Quantity, on Importation into *Great Britain*, is to pay a Duty and Excise to the Crown of about 2400l. Sterling, without any Drawback on Exportation, besides Six-pence *per* Gallon Freight, and the Loss of Casks, Leakage, *&c.* so that the Planter at last has a mere Trifle for his Commodity, and what is worse, we have no Vent for Rum at the Northern Colonies, for they buy *French* Molasses so cheap (which without such a Vent would be a Loss to the *French*) that they furnish themselves, and export large Quantities to other Countries; so that our Rum which used to contribute greatly to support the contingent Charges of Sugar-Works, by the heavy Duty, Excise, and Loss of the Northern Plantations Trade, will become of little other Value than to be given to Servants and Negroes; whereas, was half the Excise to be taken off, it would greatly increase the Revenue in *Great Britain*, and be a more effectual Method of preventing the Use of *French* Brandy than any yet practised, and would be no Prejudice to *English* Spirits, nor no Ways lessen the Quantity usually made. And sure I am, it highly becomes the Wisdom of the Nation to encourage the Colonies Abroad, each of whose Inhabitants, one with another, gives Bread to three (at least) of their Fellow Subjects in their Mother Country, I may say those of this Island do so to treble that Number. Now, could we but obtain the Liberty of exporting our Sugars to Foreign Markets, on paying the Duty it leaves in *Great Britain* upon Exportation, with other Encouragements, this Island might be render'd the greatest in *America*, and would become much more advantageous to *Great Britain*, in taking off more of its Manufactures, and employing a greater Number of Shipping and Sailors, in Proportion to the Increase of its Produce. For I assure you, that four Fifths of the valuable and improveable Land in this Island is not settled or cultivated, and lies waste as a Receptacle only for our rebellious run away Negroes. What I have said is sufficient to shew the infinite Value of this Island, its present miserable Circumstances, and the Necessity of some immediate Relief and Encouragement, to prevent the impending Ruin of the Inhabitants, and the utter Loss of this inestimable Jewel in the *British* Diadem.

I am, &c.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty. The humble Representation of the President and Council, and General Assembly of the Colony of New York.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the President and Council, and General Assembly

of your Majesty's Colony of *New York*, beg Leave to represent, That

With Grief and Concern we have heard of the Monopoly aimed at by the Sugar Colonies, which, if obtained, will, we conceive, tend to the Ruin of this Colony, and be prejudicial to the Trade and Navigation of *Great Britain*. For

There is imported yearly into, and consumed in this Colony, a very large Quantity of the Woolen Manufacture of *Great Britain*, for our Cloathing and Preservation from the excessive Cold of our Winters; and so great is our Consumption of those Commodities, that we have Reason to believe the whole Sugar Colonies (excepting *Jamaica*, on Account of the *Spanish* Trade) do not consume the like Quantity; and should we be disabled to pay for that Manufacture, we must be reduced to Nakedness, or to make our own Cloathing.

The Product of this, and the neighbouring Colonies of *New Jersey* and *Pensilvania*, is Provisions, Horses, and Lumber, which are exported to the *British* and Foreign Sugar Colonies, and in Exchange for them, are had Monies, Rum, Sugars, Molasses, Cocoa, Indigo, Cotton, Wool, *&c.* whereof the Rum and Molasses are chiefly consumed in this Colony, and the Monies and other Merchandize are mostly apply'd to make good the Balance of our Trade to *Great Britain*, and so great a Part of that Balance is paid in Money, that we have Reason to believe that all the *British* Sugar Colonies together (except *Jamaica*) do not import so much Silver and Gold into *Great Britain*, as this single Colony.

We are well assured, that the *British* Sugar Colonies cannot take off the one Half of the Provisions which this and the other two Bread Colonies do export, nor are they able to supply the Northern Colonies with the Rum and Molasses there consumed, without vastly diminishing the Quantity of Sugar which they now make; and tho' we be not by express Words in the Monopoly aimed at, restrain'd from exporting our Provisions to the Foreign Sugar Colonies, yet the restraining us from taking any Part of their Product in Exchange, will as effectually do it.

Wherefore we have Reason to apprehend, that if the Monopoly aimed at be obtained, our Product now exported to the Foreign Sugar Colonies, will be as lost to us, and that we shall have little more from the *British* Sugar Colonies for all our Provisions, that they can consume, than the Rum, Molasses, and Sugar, which we want to consume among ourselves, seeing the Glut of our Product, with them must greatly lower the Price thereof; and the great Demand of Rum and Molasses, must vastly enhance the Price of them, and disable us to pay for the *British* Manufactures we have already had and owe for, and to pay for any more; must diminish the Consumption of the *British* Woolen Manufacture, and the Navigation now employ'd in bringing it to us, and in carrying our Product to the Foreign Sugar Colonies, and in carrying what is got in Exchange for it to *Britain*; must diminish the Quantity of Sugars in the *British* Sugar Colonies, and enhance the Price thereof so much, that *Britain* will probably be disabled to export any Part of it.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We implore your most Sacred Majesty, the Father of all your Subjects, who has the Care and Prosperity of all of them equally at Heart, and who will be far from countenancing any Endeavours to make one Part of them the Slaves and Bondmen of another, with whatever specious Pretences it may be aimed at, to have Pity and Compassion upon us, your poor, but most loyal and dutiful Subjects of these Bread Colonies, upon the Merchants of *Great Britain*, to whom we are greatly indebted, upon them, and the many Tradesmen and Seamen of *Great Britain*, who get their Living by the *British* Trade with us, and to grant us your most gracious Protection against this Attempt, which, in its Consequences, would tend, we humbly conceive, to deprive them of their just Debts and future Support, and to cut us off from being of any other Use to our Mother Country, than to be the Bondmen and Slaves of her Sugar Colonies, by confining us to them for the Vent of the Produce of our Industry, and in Consequence obliging us to take what Price for it they please, and to give what Price they please for what we have in Exchange for them.

Sept. 4, 1731.

To his Excellency Benedict Leonard Calvert, *Esq. Governor of* Maryland.

The Humble Address of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly.

May it please your Excellency,

WE have taken into Consideration the two Queries transmitted by the Right Hon. the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, to your Excellency, which you communicated to the Assembly, at the Opening of this Session, *viz. What Trade this Province has with any Foreign Plantation, or any Part of* Europe, *besides* Great Britain? *How such a Trade is carried on? What Commodities the People of this Province send to, or receive from Foreign Plantations? What the natural Produce of the Country, Staple Commodities and Manufactures, besides Tobacco, are? And what Value thereof may be annually exported?* And beg Leave to observe to your Excellency, that for Want of an Opportunity to examine the Books and Entries of the Officers of the Customs, we cannot be so particular in our Information to your Excellency, as you desire, or we wish to be. But in general, we can assure your Excellency, that we have taken all the Measures we could, to be inform'd; and that there are but very few Trading Vessels, belonging to the Inhabitants of this Province, several Counties (of the 12 whereof this Province consists) having no one Trading Vessel belonging to them: That we could not learn, that more than one small Vessel has gone from this Province (belonging to the Inhabitants thereof) to any of the Foreign Sugar Plantations; a few Vessels have gone to *Madeira*, and other of the *Portuguese* Islands, sometimes one or two, sometimes three in a Year, and for several Years none.

This Province has very little Trade with any Part of *Europe*, besides *Great Britain*, and that confined to a few Voyages, by three or four small Vessels in several Years past to *Lisbon*, which carried Grain and Lumber thither.

All the Commodities ever exported to, and imported from, any of the Foreign Plantations, belonging to the *French* and *Dutch*, by the Inhabitants of this Province, that we could learn, has only been the lading of the small Vessel already mentioned, which carried Lumber and Provisions, and brought back Molasses; save that sometimes, when Vessels have been disappointed of their Lading in his Majesty's Colonies, they have taken in some Salt, in the said Foreign Plantations.

The Trade to *Madeira* and other *Portuguese* Islands, has been more considerable: Sometimes one small Vessel, and sometimes two or three, but never more, that we could learn, (belonging to this Province) have gone thither in a Year: Which Vessels have carried Wheat, *Indian* Corn, and other Provisions, and Staves; and brought back *Madeira* and other Wines, of the Produce of those Islands, and Salt.

As to Vessels belonging to other Parts of his Majesty's Dominions, whose Ladings are purchased in this Province, we cannot give any Account of them.

The Climate here is moderate, and the Soil productive of all Sorts of Grain, and many Sorts of Fruit; and has great Quantities of valuable Timber, and, in many Places, good Pasturage; and the Rivers and Bay full of great Variety of Fish, especially Herrings. But the Inhabitants, ever since the first Settlement of this Country, have apply'd themselves principally to the making Tobacco, which is our Staple, neglecting Manufactures and Tillage; when Tobacco has been valuable, the Produce of that Commodity alone, being then sufficient to supply the People with Cloathing and other Necessaries, in great Plenty, from *Great Britain*, with an Overplus in Money, which has always been lodged there, not only as the securest, but the most advantageous Repository, whence the People could be supplied with every Thing for their own Use or for Traffick; hence it has happened, that the People have received very little Advantage from a moderate Climate, and a fertile and fruitful Soil, besides Provisions, and the Produce of their Tobacco, which for several Years past has really been so very low, that it would not supply the Inhabitants with one Half of the Necessaries of Life; and the Expectation of an Amendment has occasioned their continuing in the old beaten Track so long, that they are now reduced to an Incapacity to carry on any considerable Trade or Manufactures. It is true, that extream Want and Necessity have driven some of the poorer Sort of People, in several Parts of the Country, to make some small Quantities of coarse Linnens and Woolens, for their own particular Use, without which they must have gone naked and been starved: Of these Manufactures we are confident there are none exported; and that very few (if any) make enough of them to supply their own Necessities. As to the Value of other Commodities of the Growth and Production of the Country, annually exported, besides Tobacco, we cannot make an Estimate; those concern'd in the Exportation, and who reap the Advantages arising from it, being such as come from other Parts, to purchase what the People can spare, which their Necessities oblige them to part with at very cheap Rates.

Thus, may it please your Excellency, we have given as full a State of the Circumstances of the Country, concerning its Trade, as we could. And we can assure you, that we have not represented its Condition worse than it really is.

SATURDAY, *February* 19.

THE Town of *Manchester* has collected 500*l.* to be divided, 300*l.* to the poor Sufferers by the late Fire at *Blandford*, 150*l.* for *Tiverton*, and 50*l.* for *Ramsay*. And, The Parish of *Bishop's Waltham* in *Hants* has collected 35*l.* for *Blandford*.

Dumferling, *Feb* 8. This Day was finished here a very tedious Tryal of four Gypsies, which lasted betwixt 18 and 19 Hours, by the Hon. Capt. *Halket*, *James Dewar* of *Lawfoddie*, and *Henry Walwood* of *Garvock*, Deputies of the Hon. the Marquiss of *Tweeddale*, as heritable Bailie of the Justiciary and Regality Courts of *Dumferling*, when, on a full and plain Proof, *James Ramsay*, one of the Gang, was sentenc'd to be hanged the 22d of *March* next, and the other three to be whipped the first Wednesday of each Month for Half a Year; and afterwards to be banished the Royalty for ever, with Certification, *&c.* *James Ramsay*, has, since Sentence pronounc'd, confessed to the Rev. Mr. *Ralph Erskine*, that he stole the four Oxen and young Cow, one of the Branches of his Indictment.

Commitments. Yesterday a Man was committed to *Newgate*, being charged with Sodomy.——The same Day a Woman was committed to *Newgate*, for privately stealing a Guinea.

Preferments. *Francis Huchenson*, Esq; Nephew to the Right Hon. the Earl of *Effingham*, is appointed Secretary to his Lordship, as Deputy Earl Marshal of *England*.——The Rev. Mr. *Phineas Sugar*, A. M. was lately presented by the Lord Chancellor to the Living of *Skendleby*, in the County and Diocese of *Lincoln*.

MONDAY, *February* 21.

On Saturday came in the *Holland* Mail, and Yesterday the *French*. By the former we learn, that the late Duke of *Ormonde* is at *Seville*; by the latter, that the Princess of *Conty*, second Dowager, is dead.

His Royal Highness the Duke of *Cumberland* has a new Company of Grenadiers of young Gentlemen; and Yesterday they appear'd at Court in their new Cloaths, being cloathed as the second Regiment is. His Highness himself would be only a Corporal in the said Company, insisting that he will take his Rise regularly from the said Station. The said Company consists of a Captain, a Serjeant, a Corporal, and 12 private Men; but it is to be augmented to a greater Number.

Commitments. On Saturday two Men were committed to the *New Goal* in *Southwark* by Justice *Lade*, being charged with several Robberies in the County of *Surrey*.——Last Saturday a Girl was committed to *Newgate*, charged on Oath and her own Confession, with robbing her Mistress of Plate and Money to the Value of 60*l.*

Preferments. The King has been pleased to appoint the Hon. *John Fane*, Esq; to be Colonel of the Regiment of Dragoons commanded by the late Lord *Carpenter*.——Last Thursday Sir *James Edwards*, Knt. and Bart. of *Surrey*, and the Rev. Mr. *Jacob Serenius*, of *London*, were elected Members of the Royal Society.

Marriages. Yesterday Morning *Henry Clark*, Esq; Page of the Back Stairs to her Royal Highness the Princess *Mary*, was married at St. *Paul's* Cathedral to a young Lady.—On Thursday Morning *George Pendergrass*, Esq; was married to Miss ——, a Lady of great Merit, with a handsome Fortune.——On Saturday *Barton Hammond*, Esq; was married to a young Lady of a considerable Fortune.——The same Morning *Joshua Van Neck*, Esq; one of the Directors of the *East-India* Company, was married to a Daughter of Mr. *Stephen Daubuz*.

Deaths. On Friday last died Mr. *John Southouse*, an eminent Distiller in St. *John's-street*.——The same Day died the Widow of Mr. *Carte*, formerly an eminent Distiller at *Smithfield-Bars*.——*Dublin*, *Feb.* 12. On Wednesday Morning last died the Hon. *Robert Dixon*, Esq; one of the Judges of his Majesty's Court of *Common-Pleas*.

TUESDAY, *February* 22.

The Churches at which the Right Rev. Lord Bishop of *London* has appointed Sermons to be preached the ensuing Lent, are, *Allhallows Barking*, St. *Botolph's Aldersgate*, St. *Bride's Fleet-street*, and St, *Anne's Westminster*.

On Sunday last one Mr. *Guinehamer*, a Dancing-Master, being seemingly in perfect Health, dropt down dead suddenly at his House in *Barton-street*, *Westminster*.

On Tuesday the 15th Inst. the Lady of *Charles Cæsar*, Esq; (eldest Son of the Hon. *Charles Cæsar*, Esq; Member of Parliament for the County of *Hertford*) was safely brought to Bed of a Daughter.

Yesterday the Justices of the Peace for the City and Liberty of *Westminster* met, when several Clergymen and Gentlemen took the Oaths to qualify themselves for their respective Employments. At the said Sessions *Giles Neal* was brought from the *Gatehouse*, *Westminster*, to receive Judgment for assaulting *Oliver Lambart*, Esq; one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in the Execution of his Office; but in Regard he had been five Months in Prison, the Court only fin'd him one Shilling, and committed him to hard Labour for one Month. *James Rothery*, who had been in Prison for some Time, was likewise brought into Court to receive Judgment for assaulting Justice *De Veil* in the Execution of his Office; but the Council mov'd the Court in Mitigation thereof, alledging that he was disorder'd in his Senses, which being sufficiently prov'd by several Affidavits, the Court discharg'd him, and he was immediately carried to a Mad-house to be taken Care of. Several Persons were permitted to withdraw their Recogni-

zances, after which the Court adjourn'd to Monday the 6th of *March* next.

The ſame Day the Quarterly Seſſions for the City of *London* began at *Guildhall*, when two Perſons were found guilty of Aſſaults, *viz. Sarah Stuck*, for beating *Elizabeth Graves*, was fined 6s. 8d. likewiſe a Perſon for aſſaulting his Brother was fined five Guineas.

Dover, Feb. 20. Laſt Week a Youth of about 13 or 14 hanged himſelf near *Shinfield*. It is remarkable that his Father did the like about two Years ago.

Yeſterday Mr. Baron *Thomſon* gave his Opinion at the Seſſions at *Guildhall* in the Cauſe of the Wharfingers Appellants, and the Pariſh of *Allhallows Barkin* Reſpondents, in Relation to the Poor's Rate. The Appellants complaining of being over-rated, Mr. Recorder declared his Opinion was, that the Wharfingers were over-rated and ought to be relieved.

Robberies, &c. On Sunday Night laſt the Houſe of Mr. *James*, in *Oxford* Road, was broke open, and Goods to a conſiderable Value were carried off.——Yeſterday a Woman was committed to the *New Goal* in *Southwark*, for robbing a Child in St. *George's-Fields*. The Child was enticed from its Father's Door in *Blackmoor-ſtreet*.

Deaths. Yeſterday Morning died *James Well*, Eſq;—— On Sunday laſt died Mr. *Pindar*, an eminent Linnen-Draper, at his Houſe near *Aldgate*.

Shipping. Letters from *Alexandria*, dated *Dec.* 15. O. S. bring an Account of a *Venetian* Ship, richly laden, bound from thence to *Venice*, having been taken by a *Tuniſene* Cruizer, and carried into *Tunis*: That the new Baſha made his publick Entry into *Cairo Dec.* 9. O. S. with great Splendor: And that a *Turkiſh* Ship, with a very rich Cargo, bound from *Sueſs* to *Judda*, was loſt in the Red Sea. There was no *Britiſh* Ship at *Alexandria*, and Coffee was riſen to 30 Pieces of Eight *per* Quintal.

WEDNESDAY, *February* 23.

Yeſterday being the Birth Day of her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs *Mary*, when ſhe entered into the 10th Year of her Age, there was a great Court at St. *James's*, to compliment their Majeſties and her Royal Highneſs thereon; and at Night there was a Ball in his Royal Highneſs the Duke of *Cumberland's* Apartment at St. *James's*.

The ſame Day a remarkable Tryal came on at *Guildhall*, before the Lord Chief Juſtice *Raymond*, between Mrs. *Southall*, Plaintiff, and the Rev. Mr. *John Wilkinſon*, Defendant, for Non-Performance of a Marriage Contract. The Evidence for the Plaintiff were to the Effect following, *viz.* That the Marriage Articles were actually drawn, tho' not ingroſſed; the Wedding-Cloaths were bought, and likewiſe the Wedding-Ring, which had for its Poſey, *Chriſt and thee, my Comfort be*; ſeveral Letters of Courtſhip were alſo read from him, moſt affectionately expreſſing his Paſſion for her; ſome of his Converſation with the Lady was recited, in which he talk'd of providing for their future Family, and gave Names to the Children which he ſuppoſed he ſhould be bleſs'd with; and laſtly, a Form of Prayer was produc'd, which the Defendant made for the Uſe of the Plaintiff on the Occaſion of their intended Marriage. The Council for the Defendant inſiſted, that this Marriage Contract was only conditional, and not obligatory, unleſs her Uncle would give her a ſufficient Fortune. The Tryal laſted about ſix Hours, and the Jury having withdrawn a ſhort Time, brought in their Verdict for the Plaintiff, and 300l. Damages.

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The Aldermen and Deputies are of this Committee.

They write from *Lanſworney* in *Glamorganſhire*, that a poor Fellow of that Place hang'd himſelf there a few Days ago, the Cauſe of which was very whimſical; it ſeems he had for ſome Years paſt ſet up for a Fortune-Teller among the Vulgar, and to gain himſelf the greater Repute in the Knowledge of Aſtrology, pretended to foretell the Year, Month, Day, and Hour of his Death, but happening to continue in perfect Health to the Time, and fearing he ſhould be banter'd if he out-liv'd it, he choſe to diſpatch himſelf as aforemention'd, in order to verify the Prediction.

Robbery. On Monday Night laſt ſome Rogues ſtole a Copper Sign from the Houſe of Mr. *Frazier*, a great Snuff-Shop in *Pall-Mall*, and alſo another from a Houſe in the ſame Neighbourhood, and went off undiſcovered.

Preferments. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to iſſue his Letters under his Royal Sign Manual to his Grace the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, to cauſe Letters Patent to be paſſed under the Great Seal of that Kingdom, for tranſlating the Right Rev. Father in God, *Welbore* Lord Biſhop of *Kildare*, to the Biſhoprick of *Meath*, void by the Death of *Ralph* late Lord Biſhop thereof; for tranſlating the Right Rev. Father in God, Dr. *Charles Cobb*, Lord Biſhop of *Dromore*, to the Biſhoprick of *Kildare*; for tranſlating the Right Rev. Father in God, Dr. *Henry Moule*, Lord Biſhop of *Cloyne*, to the Biſhoprick of *Dromore*; for tranſlating the Right Rev. Father in God, Dr. *Edward Synge*, Lord Biſhop of *Clonfert* and *Kilmacduagh*, to the Biſhoprick of *Cloyne*; and for promoting Dr. *Mordecai Cary* to the united Biſhopricks of *Clonfert* and *Kilmacduagh*.——His Majeſty has been likewiſe pleaſed to iſſue his Letters under his Royal Sign Manual to his Grace the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, to cauſe Letters Patent to be paſſed under the Great Seal of the ſaid Kingdom, for granting to *Richard Daniel* the Deanry of *Down*, void by the Death of *William Gore*, late Dean thereof; and for granting unto *John Brandreth* the Deanry of the Metropolitan Church of *Ardmagh*, void by the Reſignation of *Richard Daniel*, late Dean thereof.—— His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint *George Woodward*, Eſq; to be his Envoy Extraordinary to the King of *Poland*. ——Yeſterday there was a Board of Admiralty, when their Lordſhips were pleaſed to appoint Capt. *Richard Leſtock*, to be Captain of his Majeſty's Ship the *Kingſton*, in the room of Capt. *Ogilvie*, who is appointed Commander of his Majeſty's Ship the *Hector*. Their Lordſhips were alſo pleaſed to appoint Capt. *Peter Soleguard*, to be Captain of his Majeſty's Ship the *Royal Oak*.

Marriages. On Monday the Rev. Mr. *Wincomb*, Rector of *Brexham* in the County of *Devon*, was married to Mrs. *Penelope Sheldon*, a near Relation to the Earl of *Suffolk*.—— Yeſterday a Marriage was conſummated at *Weſt Ham* in *Eſſex*, between Capt. *Joſeph Hughes* of *Worceſter*, and Miſs *Parrot* of *Plaiſtow*.

THURSDAY, *February* 24.

Yeſterday the Seſſions began at the *Old Baily*, when the five following Malefactors were convicted capitally, *viz. Tho. Smith* and *Tho. Faxton*, for robbing Mr. *William Davis* on the Highway; *Tho. Edwards* and *Tho. Paſte*, for robbing the Rev. Mr. *Prior* in *Great Swan-Alley*, St. *John's-ſtreet*, of his Hat and ſome Silver; and *Jane French*, for privately ſtealing about 15l. and two Gold Rings, from Mr. *John Smith*, her Maſter. The Jury recommended the latter to the Court for a favourable Report to his Majeſty. The aboveſaid *Paſte* was formerly an Evidence againſt ſome Perſons who were executed ſome Time ſince, and confeſs'd this Fact, and deſir'd to die. After he was brought in Guilty, he ſaid, *God bleſs you all, Gentlemen, and I return you Thanks for your Kindneſs for acquitting my Companion* James Tripland, *who was try'd for the ſame Offence*. A Woman and her Daughter were tried, the latter for robbing her Service, and the former for receiving the ſtolen Goods, and found Guilty, and were ordered for Tranſportation. A Lad was tried for ſtealing two Cows, the Property of Mr. *Pye*, and acquitted. Eight were caſt for Tranſportation.

We have an Account from *Clonmel* in *Ireland*, of a large Gang of Tories and Rapparees having done great Miſchief in thoſe Parts, by robbing and pillaging the Country for ſome Time paſt; upon which a Party of Horſe of the Regular Troops being ſent in Purſuit of them, they took Sanctuary in a Smith's Forge, and made ſuch a deſperate Defence, that having ſhot the Cornet's Horſe, who commanded the ſaid Troops, under him, they were obliged to ſet Fire to the Forge, before they could reduce them, and the Flames increaſing, they attempted to eſcape, and two of them did ſo by the Thickneſs of the Smoke, and a third by burning his Cloaths, and coming out with a Blanket wrapt about him; but ſix others of them were ſhot, and four taken Priſoners, and one of thoſe who eſcaped is ſince dead of the Wounds. The Horſes which the Rapparees rode on could not be ſaved from periſhing in the Flames, tho' all poſſible Endeavours were uſed to get them out.

They write from *Edinburgh, Feb.* 17. That Col. *Francis Chartres* arrived Yeſterday at his Seat of *Stonniehill*; and that he is very much indiſpoſed.

Robbery, &c. Yeſterday two Men were committed to *New Priſon* for ſtealing a Quantity of Lead from an empty Houſe in *Bunhill-Row*.——The ſame Day a Perſon was committed to *Newgate* by the Hon. Houſe of Commons, on his Examination on ſome Affairs relating to the *Charitable Corporation*, and ordered that no Perſon ſhould viſit him, nor to have the Uſe of Pen, Ink, or Paper.

Deaths. On Tueſday Morning died, at his Houſe in *Crutched-Fryars*, Mr. *Smith*, an eminent Wine-Merchant. ——Yeſterday died ſuddenly, at his Lodgings in *Fleet-ſtreet*, *Samuel Howe*, Eſq;

FRIDAY, *February* 25.

The King of *Pruſſia*, who for ſome Years has by Contract wholly ſupplied the *Ruſſes* with Woolen Cloth for cloathing the Troops in that Empire, has, in order to encourage that Manufacture in his Dominions, laid a new Duty of 20 *per Cent.* on all Foreign Cloth imported at *Koningsburgh*, as appears by Letters from *Dantzick*, dated the 20th Inſt. N. S. So that our Exports of Woolen Goods to that Place, which formerly was very conſiderable, is now entirely at an End.

On Wedneſday Night laſt the Earl of *Cheſterfield*, his Majeſty's Ambaſſador to the States-General, arrived in Town from *Holland*; and Yeſterday his Lordſhip waited on their Majeſties, the Prince of *Wales*, and the reſt of the Royal Family, and was very graciouſly received.

'Tis ſaid there will be a State-Lottery this Year, of 500,000l. payable out of the Duty on Salt.

Yeſterday at the Seſſions in the *Old Baily*, two Perſons were capitally convicted, *viz. Thomas Andrews*, for breaking open the Houſe of *John Wragg*, and ſtealing ſeveral Goods, and *Edward Dell*, for Burglary. About 12 Perſons were caſt for Tranſportation.

The ſame Day was tried before the Lord Chief Juſtice *Eyre*, at the Sittings in the *Common-Pleas*, a Cauſe between Mr. *Mullins*, who keeps *Anderton's* Coffee-houſe in *Fleet-ſtreet*, Plaintiff, and Mr. *Stokes*, a Stationer, in the ſame Street, Defendant, for Words ſpoken by the Defendant, to the great Detriment of the Plaintiff in his Way of Trade, *&c.* when the Jury gave the Plaintiff 30l. Damages, with Coſts.

Robberies, &c. On Tueſday Night laſt a Sharper came to a Houſe in *Henrietta-ſtreet*, *Covent-Garden*, under Pretence of taking Lodgings for his Maſter, which he agreed for, and ſaid he was expected that Night out of the Country; but before his pretended Maſter came, he found Means to carry off moſt of the valuable Furniture.——Yeſterday a Horſe Grenadier was committed to the *Gatehouſe*, for ſtabbing one Mr. *Slone* above five Inches with a Sword in his Left Breaſt.——The ſame Day a Man and a Woman were committed to the ſaid Goal, for ſtealing three Watches from Mr. *Burgeſs*.——Yeſterday a Woman was committed to *Newgate*, charged with robbing her Miſtreſs of 16 Guineas and ſome Silver.

Marriage. On Monday laſt Mr. *Abel Fonnereau*, an eminent *Hamburgh* Merchant, was married to Miſs *Heywood*, Daughter of —— *Heywood*, Eſq; of *Oxford*, a 6000l. Fortune.

Death. Laſt Monday died, at her Houſe in *Weſtminſter*, the Lady *Pyne*.

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M. 170 } 360
F. 190 }
Died.
Under 2 143
From 2 to 5 28
5 10 13
10 20 12
20 30 26
30 40 35
40 50 32
50 60 22
60 70 34
70 80 18
80 90 8
upwds of 90 4
Buried.
M 190 } 375
F 185 }
Decreaſed. 75

The Aſſize of Bread made of Wheat, to take Place on Thurſday *February* 3, as ſet forth by Order of the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen of *London*.

The Penny Loaf to weigh by *Averdupois* or common Weight, *viz.* 16 Drams make one Ounce, and 16 Ounces one Pound. White 11*oz.* 9*dr.* Wheaten 17*oz.* 6*dr.* Houſhold 23*oz.* 3*dr.*

Two Penny Loafs. White 1*lb.* 7*oz.* 3*dr.* Wheaten 2*lb.* 2*oz.* 12*dr.* Houſhold 2*lb.* 14*oz.* 5*dr.*

Note, That the Peck Loaf ought to weigh ſeventeen Pounds, ſix Ounces, and one Dram; the Half Peck and Quartern in Proportion Quartern Wheaten 4*d.* Quartern Houſhold 3*d.* Half Peck Wheaten 8*d.* Half Peck Houſhold 6*d.* Peck Wheaten 1*s.* 4*d.* Peck Houſhold 1*s.*

FOREIGN NEWS.

Conſtantinople, Jan. 2. The laſt Battle in *Perſia*, which was fought near *Amadan* between the *Turks* and *Perſians*, was very bloody, a great many being killed on both Sides, but the *Turks* remained Maſters of the Field, and it was the Loſs of this Battle that induced the Schach *Thamas*, who till then had rejected all Propoſitions of Accommodation, to take his Turn in deſiring Peace of the Porte: In the laſt Divan which has been held here on that Subject, it was reſolved to agree thereto, however, on Condition that the Towns of *Rumia* and *Tauris*, taken by the *Ottomans*, do ſtill remain in their Poſſeſſion, and on that Foot, Orders have been ſent to the Baſſaw of *Babylon*, to continue his Negotiations with the *Perſian* Miniſters. All is at preſent very quiet in this Capital, and there is little Appearance, ſuppoſing that a Peace be made with *Perſia*, that the

Porte will think of turning its Arms againſt any *Chriſtian* Power, the Revenues being ſo much drained, and the beſt Troops loſt in the War againſt *Perſia:* beſides, they know very well, that if any of the ſaid Powers be attacked, they ſhall infallibly draw the Arms of the other Powers upon them, on Account of the ſtrict Union among the *Chriſtian* Princes; nevertheleſs they ſtill give out that the Grand *Seignior* is meditating ſome very important Deſign.

Hague, Feb. 15. N. S. Among the various Articles which remain to be adjuſted to the Satisfaction of this State, are that of the Arrears of Subſides ſtill claimed as due from the Crown of *Great Britain* ſince the laſt War, and the Hardſhips continually heaping upon our Trade in *Spain*, particularly at *Bilbao*, where all the Remonſtrances of their High-Mightineſſes Conſul have hitherto had no better Effect, than to gain a few fair Promiſes, which have not been carried into Execution.

Extract of a Private Letter from Vienna.

Notwithſtanding all that has been ſaid in relation to the Pacifick Deſigns of the *Ottoman Porte*, it is plain that the Emperor does not lay any great Streſs upon it: The rather, becauſe the preſent Grand Vizir is known to be a bold, enterprizing Man, of affected Subtlety and Reſerve, and withal a Friend to *France*; a Merchant of that Nation having redeemed him from Slavery among the *Malteze* when young, and, after a Series of kind Uſage, ſent him home without a Ranſom: Which is the Reaſon that Miniſter has been ſo kind to the Count *de Bonneval*, with whom he keeps a ſtrict Correſpondence, and gets as many of his Projects approved as he can.

Extract of a Private Letter from Paris.

The Armaments that are making in this Kingdom and *Spain*, have quite a different View from what is given out. Our Miniſters ſay, they will be revenged of the *Algerines*, whom they ſuggeſt to have inſulted the *French* Flag; but thoſe who pretend to penetrate farther into the Secrets of Cabinet tell us, the Two Crowns begin to think in good earneſt of re-uniting, now that *Don Carlos* is ſettled in *Italy*; and that poſſibly the Houſe of *Bourbon* may have their Eye upon all the Ports of the Mediterranean: That in Conſeſequence they may graſp at the Power of granting or refuſing the Liberty of trading to *Africa* or the *Levant* to what Nation they pleaſe. Neither is this all: They ſay farther, that the Courts of *France* and *Spain*, who ſtill maintain a very ſtrict, though ſecret, Correſpondence, would yet be glad to jump at the deliciousMorſels of *Naples* and *Sicily*; that they might thereby render all the petty Princes in *Italy*, and even the Pope himſelf Tributary to them; do the ſame thing by the Duchies of *Milan* and *Mantua*; and oblige the King of *Sardinia* to give up *Aleſſandria*, and ſeveral other Towns belonging to the *Milaneze*, which were yielded to him by the Emperor *Leopold*.

P. S. This Day came on the Trial of Mr. *Atkinſon*, for the Murder of his Mother, and he was acquitted.

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N. B. As this Hiſtory abounds with the ſevereſt Reflections on the Popiſh Doctrines and Worſhip, ſo the Publication of it ſeems particularly ſeaſonable at this Time, when Dr. Clarke has thought it neceſſary to convey the following Complaint to the Hon. Houſe of Commons, in his Sermon preach'd the 31ſt of Jan. laſt, viz. 'The Emiſſaries of Popery 'have increaſed their Diligence in gaining Proſelytes, and are NOW 'more induſtriouſly employ'd in every Corner of our Metropolis than 'has been any Time known in the preſent Age.' Vide Dr. Clarke's Sermon, pag. 18. The very ſame Obſervation occurs in the Preface to this Book, where the Tranſlator thus expreſſes himſelf: 'I cannot forbear adding here (and this the rather, as I have been inform'd, that Popiſh Emiſſaries NOW ſwarm among us) that when I reflect on the monſtrous 'Apoſtacy of the Romaniſts—their Invocation of Angels—their Worſhip of Demons—the Adoration of their Virgin-Queen of Heaven—their Devotion to whole Armies of dead Men and Women—the horrible Abſurdity of their Wafer-God—and the Seas of Blood they have ſhed to bind this ſenſeleſs Blaſphemy and Idolatry on the reluctant Minds 'of Men, by Racks, and Fires and Tortures; I am at a Loſs to know 'what WORSE Religion could be embraced, &c.' Vide the Tranſlator's Preface, pag. 4.

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LIVERPOOL.		*from*
17 *Feb.* Lamb	*Giles*	Virginia
Hannah	*Head*	Cadiz
WEYMOUTH		*from*
16 *Feb.* Goodfel.	*Saunders*	Downs
COWES.		*from*
15 *Feb* Alexander	*Ruſſel*	London
John & Benj.	*Reynolds*	ditto
Cambridge	*Johnſon*	ditto
Cheap	*Waſſe*	ditto
Spotwood	*Bradby*	ditto
Digs	*Danſy*	ditto
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Apollo	*Smith*	London
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PORTSMOUTH.		*from*
15 *Feb.* Kingſton	*Newton*	London
Bugby's Hole	*Redford*	ditto
16 Proſperous	*Pearſe*	Havre
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20 *Feb.* Catherine	*Clarebut*	France
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16 *Feb.* Eliz.	*Hamilton*		Leith
Jennet	*Finlayſon*		ditto

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17 *Feb.* Nonſuch	*Lemon*	Downs
Mary & Martha	*Northal*	ditto
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13 Tho. & Rebec	*Bowles*	Weym.

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17 *Feb.* Content	*Abbs*	Downs
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17 *Feb.* Eliz. Mary	*Rowel*	Falmouth
For JAMAICA		*from*
17 *Feb.* Proſpect	*Bowers*	Falmouth
Jamaica Frigate	*Smith*	ditto
W. India Merch	*Dennis*	ditto
For BARBADOES AND LEEWARD Iſlands		*from*
17 *Feb.* John	*Pipon*	Downs
Elizabeth	*French*	Downs
Barbad. Factor	*Fell*	Falmouth
Hill	*Enderwps*	ditto
For the CANARIES.		*from*
17 *Feb.* S. Catherin	*Roberts*	Downs
For MADEIRA.		*from*
17 *Feb.* L. Peggy	*Richardſon*	Falm
For the STREIGHTS		*from*
17 *Feb.* Eliſot	*Goddard*	Downs
Upton	*Wills*	ditto
Vigilent	*Hendrickſon*	ditto
Minerva	*Carter*	Falmou.
Cha. Philly	*Lemon*	ditto
Rachael	*Colebeck*	ditto
Stambolin	*Horſenal*	ditto
13 Crown	*Brain*	Weymou.
Nelly	*Bogis*	Dover
For CADIZ		*from*
17 *Feb.* Lov. Mary	*Carrol*	Falmou.
SEVILLE.		*from*
17 *Feb.* 3 Brothers		Falmouth
Paulet	*Taylor*	ditto
For LISBON		*from*
17 *Feb.* Bohlser	*Lyon*	Downs
Ruſſel	*Baicy*	Falmouth
Betty	*Blake*	ditto
P. Frederick	*Lovel*	ditto
Hanover	*Oſborn*	ditto
For OPORTO.		*from*
17 *Feb.* Hodeſhil	*Roberts*	Portſm.
John	*Tyſon*	Downs
Friendſhip	*Royal*	Falmouth
For France & Biſcay in Spain		*from*
16 *Feb.* Helena	*Simonds*	Leith
James, Rachael	*Fowler*	ditto
Lucky Tom	*Todd*	ditto
Jane	*Dundas*	ditto
Diligence	*Ramſey*	ditto
18 Charm. Sally	*Baxter*	Downs
Valentia Pack.	*Watſon*	ditto
19 Tho. & Mary	*Neſh*	ditto
17 Townſhend	*Cooper*	Falmouth
14 Bologne	*Cant*	Gravel.
Mary	*Cowley*	ditto
Volantine	*Watſon*	ditto
R. Vineyard	*Brown*	ditto
Expedition	*Pidgeon*	ditto
For the BALTIC		*from*
14 *Feb.* Vigilence	*Greſon*	Gravel.

Winds at *Deal, Febr.* 18
S. W. 19. E. by S. 20
S. W. 12. S. W. 22.
N. W. 23. South. 24.
N. E.

Remain in the Downs *bound out for*

D. of Lorrain	*Welſon*	E. India
P. of Orange	*Hudſon*	ditto
Bedford	*Wells*	ditto
Friends Goodwill	*Hilton*	Barcelon
Speaker	*Flower*	Guinea
Union	*Homans*	N. Eng.
Mary	*Hillier*	ditto
Chetwind	*Tench*	Barbad
Eliz. Milliſcent	*Smith*	ditto
Philadelphia	*Ball*	Philadelph.
Friendſhip	*Combs*	ditto
Warden	*Wigram*	Dieppe
Ark	*Bowers*	S. Kitts
George	*Crosby*	Maryland
Lee	*Anderſon*	ditto
Suſanna	*Hubert*	Virginia
Quince-Tree	*Hathorn*	ditto
Volunteer	*Baſnet*	Montſerat
Endeavour	*Hartley*	Bilboa
Hiſcox	*Overal*	Jamaica
Shilburn	*Comel*	ditto
Friends Adv.	*Roath*	Ireland

Alſo ſome not known, and two ſmall ſquare ſtern'd Ships put in yeſterday from *Scotland* for *France*, and ſome Colliers.

It hath been a fair Wind ever ſince 8 o' Clock laſt Night, and blown ſo hard, they could not Weigh their Anchors; but now they are all getting under ſail.

COLLETT's *Courſe of Exchange*

Lond. Courſe, *Feb.* 25.		Balance Prices.
The Exchange is on		*Amſterdam*
Amſterdam	35 2	56 ¼ P.
Paris	32	89 P.
Leghorn	50 ⅛	94 1/16 M.
Genoa	53 ⅛	85 1/16 M.
Venice	48 ⅛	101 1/16 P.
Cadiz	41 ¼	81 1/16 P
Madrid	41 ⅛	46 ¼ M
Lisbon	5 5 ¼	46 ¼ M.
Oporto	5 5 ⅛	32 1 1/16 M
Hamburgh	34 2	
Dublin	11	

Hops		Stocks *Saturday*	*Monday*	*Tueſday*	*Wedneſday.*	*Thurſday*	*Friday.*
1728	*l.* 7 *s.*	*S. Sea* 100 ⅛	100⅛ a ¼	100 ⅛	100 99 ¾	99 ¾ a ⅛	99 98 ¼ 98 ¼
1729	*l.* 3	*Annu.* 110 ¼	110 ⅛ a ¼	110 ⅛	110 ⅛ ¼	110 ¼	110 ¼
1730	*l.* *s.*	*Bank* 149 ½ a ⅝	149 ¼ ⅜	149 ¼ a ⅜	149 ¼	149 ¼	149 ¼
1731	*l.* 7 *s.*	*India* 177 ¼ a ½	177 ¼ 7 ¼ a 8	178 ⅛ a ¼	178 77 ¼ a ⅜	177 ¼, ¼ a ½	177 ¼ 7 ⅛ 7 ¼
Coals	23 ½	*3p. C.* 97 ½ ⅝	97 ¼	97 ½ a ¼	97 ¼	97 ¼	97 ¼
Grain *p.* Quart.		*MBan* 111	111	111	111	111	111
Wheat	20 22	*Afric.* 46	44 a 45	44 45	44 45	43 44	42
Rye	10 15	*Y. Bu.* 11	10 ¼	10	10 9 ¼	9 8 ¼	8 ¼ 8 ¼
Barley	11 16	*R Aſſ.* 98 ¼	98 ¼ a 9	98	99	99	99 ¼
Oates	10 16	*L. ditt* 13 ⅛	13 ⅜	13 ⅛ a ½	13 ⅜ a ½	13 ⅛ a ¼	13 ⅛ ¼
Tares	18 22	*ECop.* 2 *l.* 10 *s.*	2 *l.* 10	2 *l.* 10	2 *l.* 10	2 *l.* 10 *s.*	2 *l.* 10
H. Beans	17 20	*Ditt* 1 *l.* 17 *s.*	1 *l.* 16 *s.*	1 *l.* 16 *s.*	1 *l.* 16 *s.*	1 *l.* 16 *s.*	1 *l.* 18
H. Peaſe	18 22	*N. B. Cir* 6 *l.* 17 6	6 *l.* 17 *s.* 6	6 *l.* 17 *s.* 6	6 *l.* 17 *s.* 6	6 *l.* 17 *s.* 6*d*	6 *l.* 17 6*d* 7
Boil. dit.	24 29	*IBon.* 6 *l.* *s.*	5 *l.* 16 *s.*	5 *l.* 12 *s*	5 *l.* 10 *s.*	5 *l.* 10 *s.*	5 *l.* 10
P. Malt	21 23	*SSdit* 2 *l.* 18 *s.*	2 *l.* 12 *s.*	2 *l.* 12 *s.*	2 *l.* 10 *s.*	2 *l.* 2 *s.*	2 *l.* 2 *s.*
dit. Br.	18 20	Blanks 7 *l.* 7 *s.* 6	7 *l.* 7 *s.* 6	7 *l.* 7 *s.* 6 9	7 *l.* 7 *s.* 6*d*	7 *l.* 7 *s.* 6*d*	7 *l.* 7 *s.* 6

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